- 37. The valuations of the undermentioned societies were made as at the 31st December, 1890:-
 - M.U.I.O.O.F.—Nelson District, Widow and Orphan Fund (Nelson District), Lyttelton Dis-

 - A.O.F.—Taranaki District, Nelson District, Court Pride of the West (Hokitika). U.A.O.D.—Lodges Star of New Zealand, Anchor, Good Intent, Pacific, and Poneke.
 - 38. Summaries of the results of the valuations are given in two tables (Appendix V.). Table A shows-
 - 1. Number of members at the date of valuation;

2. Present value of benefits;

3. Present value of contributions to benefit funds;

4. Value of accumulated benefit funds;

5. Surplus or deficiency;

6. Average surplus or deficiency per member;

7. Average age of members;

8. Average annual contribution, per member, to benefit funds;

9. Average value, per member, of accumulated benefit funds;

10. Rate of interest, per annum, credited to benefit funds (average for quinquennium);

11. Surplus or deficiency at previous valuation (average per member).

Table B shows-

1. Ratio to liabilities of—(a) Present value of contributions to benefit funds; (b) value of accumulated benefit funds; (c) total assets; (d) surplus or deficiency.

2. Causes of surplus or deficiency.

For convenience of publication the causes assigned for the surplus or deficiency disclosed by valuation are indicated in Table B by means of letters referring to a list prefixed to the table.

TRADE UNIONS.

Registration.

39. The following were registered under "The Trade Union Act, 1878," during the year 1891—viz., the Dunedin Cabmen's Union; the Amalgamated Shearers' and Labourers' Union of New Zealand (Waimate); and the Thames Branch Amalgamated Miners' Association of Australasia.

Amendments of Rules.

40. Partial amendments of the Shipmasters' Association of New Zealand were registered.

Cancellation.

- 41. The Southland Fishermen, Oystermen, and Lumpers' Union having ceased to exist its registration was cancelled.
 - 42. A list of registered trade unions, as at 31st December, 1891, is shown in Appendix VI.
- 43. Information as to the forms kept in the Registry Office for the convenience of societies, and sent free on application, is to be found in Appendix IV.

31st March, 1892.

EDMUND MASON, Registrar of Friendly Societies and Trade Unions